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## MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re:

Application of Dino BONGINI entitled

A LAUNDRY WASHING AND/OR DRYING MACHINE, IN PARTICULAR OF THE FRONT LOADING TYPE, WITH LOWER HOUSING

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Our Ref.

Q80770

## Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising 15 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract and 4 sheets of drawings.

Copies of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and executed Assignment with PTO Form 1595 will be submitted at a later date.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

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Since the anniversary of the priority date fell on a Sunday, the filing of this application on Monday, March 29, 2004 is sufficient to obtain the benefit of priority and still considered timely filed.





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Priority is claimed from:

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The priority document will be submitted at a later date.

Respectfully submitted, SUGHRUE MION, PLLC

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